Arkansas Crop Report

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The following are the survey results from the 2004 September Agricultural Survey. A sample of the farmers in Arkansas provided the data for this survey. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaire or interview for the survey.

2004 WHEAT ANNUAL SUMMARY

Arkansas winter wheat production totaled 32.9 million bushels for 2004, up 15 percent from 2003. Harvested acres for 2004 were 620,000, up from the 570,000 in 2003. The state average yield for 2004 is estimated at 53.0 bushels per acre, 3.0 bushels above the last year's average yield.

<u>U.S.</u> all wheat production totaled 2.16 billion bushels in 2004, up 2 percent from the last forecast, but 8 percent below 2003. Grain area harvested is 50.2 million acres, down 5 percent from last year. The U.S. yield is 43.1 bushels per acre, down 1.1 bushels from a year ago.

All Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production 2003-2004, Selected States and United States

	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	Thousand Acres		Yield per acre		Thousands	
Arkansas	570	620	50.0	53.0	28,500	32,860
Louisiana	140	165	41.0	50.0	5,740	8,250
Mississippi	125	135	49.0	53.0	6,125	7,155
Missouri	870	930	61.0	52.0	53,070	48,360
Oklahoma	4,600	4,700	39.0	35.0	179,400	164,500
Texas	3,450	3,500	28.0	31.0	96,600	108,500
United States	53,063	50,204	44.2	43.1	2,344,760	2.163.520

ARKANSAS GRAIN STOCKS, SEPTEMBER 1, 2004

Old crop stocks for <u>soybeans</u>, <u>sorghum</u> and <u>corn</u> on September 1, 2004, were not released, to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Oats: All oats in storage September 1, 2004 are estimated at 349,000 bushels, this is all stored off-farm.

<u>Wheat</u>: All wheat in storage September 1, 2004 is estimated at 14.1 million bushels, up 20 percent from last September 1. Farm stocks are estimated at 300,000 bushels; off-farm stocks are at 13.8 million bushels. The farm level is down 6 percent, and the off-farm level is up 21 percent, from the previous year.

U. S. GRAIN STOCKS, SEPTEMBER 1, 2004

Soybeans: Old crop soybeans stored in all positions on September 1, 2004, totaled 112 million bushels, down 37 percent from September 1, 2003. This is the lowest ending stocks level since 1977. On-farm stocks totaled 29.4 million bushels, down 49 percent from last September. Off-farm stocks are down 31 percent from September 1, 2003, to 83.1 million bushels. **Oats**: Oats stored in all position on September 1, 2004 totaled 116.3 million bushels, 12 percent below September 1, 2003. **Wheat**: All wheat in storage September 1, 2004 totaled 1.94 billion bushels, down 5 percent from a year ago. Farm stocks are estimated at 796 million bushels, up 16 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 1.15 billion bushels, are down 15 percent from a year ago.

<u>Corn</u>: Old crop corn stocks stored in all positions on September 1, 2004, are estimated at 958 million bushels, down 12 percent from September 1, 2003.

Grain Sorghum: Old crop sorghum in all positions September 1, 2004, totaled 33.6 million bushels, down 22 percent from a year ago.

GRAIN AND SOYBEAN STOCKS, SEPTEMBER 1, 2003 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 2004

	2003			2004			TOTAL
							STOCKS
GRAIN	ON	OFF	TOTAL	ON	OFF	TOTAL	2004 AS
	FARMS	$FARMS^1$	$STOCKS^2$	FARMS	$FARMS^1$	$STOCKS^2$	% OF 2003
	Th	Thousand Bushels			Thousand Bushels		
ARKANSAS Soybeans ⁴	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Wheat, all	320	11,413	11,733	300	13,808	14,108	120
Oats ⁴ Corn ⁴	3	3	3	3	349	349	
Sorghum ⁴	3	3	3	3	3	3	
<u>U.S.</u>							
Soybeans ⁴	58,000	120,329	178,329	29,400	83,089	112,489	63
Wheat, all	687,320	1,351,652	2,038,972	795,600	1,146,115	1,941,715	95
Oats ⁴	82,100	49,637	131,737	74,800	41,454	116,254	88
Corn ⁴	484,900	601,773	1,086,673	438,000	519,672	957,672	88
Sorghum ⁴	4,500	38,530	43,030	3,700	29,855	33,555	78

¹Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, processors and CCC-owned grain at bin sites.

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 $^{^2\}mathrm{Off}$ farm total plus farm stocks.

³Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

⁴Old crop.